

**REMARKS**

Claims 23, 24, 27 and 28 are pending. Claims 23, 27 and 28 have been amended. No new matter has been presented.

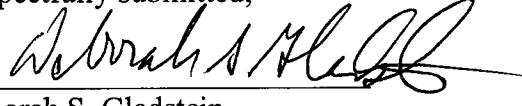
Claims 23, 24, 27 and 28 stand rejected under 35 USC 102(e) as being anticipated by Kinjo, U.S. Patent No. 6,813,395. This rejection is respectfully overcome in view of the foregoing amendments.

Claims 23, 27 and 28 have been amended in accordance with the Examiner's suggestion to overcome the outstanding prior art rejection. Therefore, applicants request that this rejection be withdrawn.

In the event the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office determines that an extension and/or other relief is required, applicants petition for any required relief including extensions of time and authorize the Commissioner to charge the cost of such petitions and/or other fees due in connection with the filing of this document to Deposit Account No. 03-1952 referencing docket no. 245402004000.

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